

**AN AMENDMENT**

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**IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

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Offered by: Councilmember Janeese Lewis George

To: “District of Columbia Public Schools 2021-2022 Funding Stabilization  
Emergency Amendment Act of 2021”

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Amendment

Section 2 (line 45, page 2) is amended by striking the phrase “at the school.” and inserting the phrase “at the school. A school eliminating one or more grade levels may receive less than 100% of its FY 2021 budget allocation as long as it receives at least as much funding per remaining grade level as it received under its FY 2021 budget allocation.” in its place.

Rationale

This amendment would hold harmless the elementary portions of four schools that are eliminating their 8<sup>th</sup> grade offerings for School Year 2021-22. Four DCPS schools could be negatively impacted by the current language: Brightwood Education Campus, LaSalle-Backus Education Campus, Takoma Education Campus and Whittier Education Campus. Currently, each school offers elementary grades (PK3 through 5<sup>th</sup>) as well as 8<sup>th</sup> grade, but next year will offer only elementary grades as the new Ida B. Wells Middle School begins its first 8<sup>th</sup> grade class.